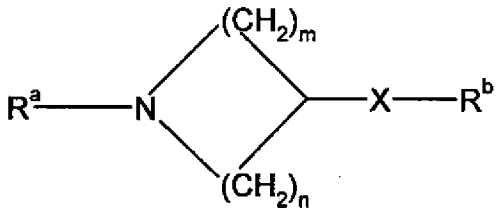
AMENDED CLAIM SET:

1. (Original) A compound of the Formula I:



(I)

or any of its isomers or any mixture of its isomers, or a pharmaceutically acceptable salt thereof, wherein

R^a represents hydrogen or alkyl;

m is 0, 1 or 2; n is 1, 2, 3, 4 or 5; with the proviso that the sum of m and n equals 2, 3, 4 or 5;

X represents –O– , –S– or $–NR^c–$; wherein R^c represents hydrogen, alkyl, $–C(=O)R^d$ or $–SO_2R^d$; wherein R^d represents hydrogen or alkyl;

R^b represents an aryl or a heteroaryl group, which aryl or heteroaryl group is optionally substituted with one or more substituents independently selected from the group consisting of: halo, trifluoromethyl, trifluoromethoxy, cyano, hydroxy, amino, nitro, alkoxy, cycloalkoxy, alkyl, cycloalkyl, cycloalkylalkyl, alkenyl and alkynyl.

2. (Original) The chemical compound of claim 1, wherein R^a represents hydrogen.

3. (Original) The chemical compound of claim 1, wherein R^a represents methyl.

4. (Previously Presented) The chemical compound of claim 1, wherein m is 2 and n is 2; or m is 1 and n is 2; or m is 1 and n is 1.

5. (Previously Presented) The chemical compound of claim 1, wherein X represents –O–.

6. (Currently Amended) The chemical compound ~~compounds~~ of claim 1, wherein R^b represents an aryl or a heteroaryl group, which aryl or heteroaryl group is substituted with one or more substituents independently selected from the group consisting of: halo, trifluoromethyl, trifluoromethoxy, cyano and alkoxy.

7. (Previously Presented) The chemical compound of claim 1, wherein R^b represents a phenyl group, which phenyl group is substituted with one or more substituents independently selected from the group consisting of: halo, trifluoromethyl, trifluoromethoxy, cyano and alkoxy.

8. (Previously Presented) The chemical compound of claim 1, wherein R^b represents a thienyl group, which thienyl group is substituted with one or more substituents independently selected from the group consisting of: halo, trifluoromethyl, trifluoromethoxy, cyano and alkoxy.

9. (Previously Presented) The chemical compound of claim 1, wherein R^b represents a pyridyl group, which pyridyl group is substituted once or twice with substituents independently selected from the group consisting of: halo, trifluoromethyl, trifluoromethoxy, cyano and alkoxy.

10. (Original) The chemical compound of claim 1, which is
4-(2,3-Dichloro-thiophenoxy)-1-methyl-piperidine;
4-(2,3-Dichloro-phenoxy)-piperidine
4-(3,4-Dichloro-phenoxy)-piperidine
4-(3,4,5-Trichloro-thienyloxy)-piperidine
4-(1-Naphthyloxy)-piperidine;
4-(1-Isoquinolinyloxy)-piperidine;
4-(2-Quinolinyloxy)-piperidine;
4-(5-Isoquinolinyloxy)-piperidine;
4-(4-Bromo-3-chloro-phenoxy)-piperidine;
4-(2,3-Dichloro-thiophenoxy)-piperidine;
(±)-3-(2,3-Dichloro-phenoxy)-pyrrolidine;

(±)-3-(3,4,5-Trichloro-thienyloxy)-pyrrolidine;

(±)-3-(1-Isoquinolinyloxy)-pyrrolidine;

(±)-3-(2-Quinolinyloxy)-pyrrolidine;

(±)-3-(3-Chloro-2-pyridinyloxy)-pyrrolidine;

3-(3,4,5-Trichloro-thienyloxy)-azetidine;

(±)-4-(3,4-Dichloro-phenoxy)-azepane;

3-(3,4-Dichloro-phenoxy)-azetidine

4-(5-Chloro-pyrid-2-yloxy)-piperidine;

4-(5-Bromo-pyrid-2-yloxy)-piperidine;

4-(5-Iodo-pyrid-2-yloxy)-piperidine;

4-(5,6-Dichloro-pyrid-2-yloxy)-piperidine;

4-(5-Bromo-6-chloro-pyrid-2-yloxy)-piperidine;

4-(6-Bromo-5-chloro-pyrid-2-yloxy)-piperidine;

4-(4,5-Dichloro-pyrid-2-yloxy)-piperidine;

4-(4-Bromo-5-chloro-pyrid-2-yloxy)-piperidine;

4-(5-Bromo-4-chloro-pyrid-2-yloxy)-piperidine;

4-(6-Chloro-pyrid-2-yloxy)-piperidine;

4-(6-Bromo-pyrid-2-yloxy)-piperidine;

4-(6-Iodo-pyrid-2-yloxy)-piperidine;

4-(6-Methoxy-pyrid-2-yloxy)-piperidine;

4-(2,3-Dichloro-phenoxy)-1-methyl-piperidine

4-(3,4-Dichloro-phenoxy)-1-methyl-piperidine

(±)-3-(2,3-Dichloro-phenoxy)-1-methyl-pyrrolidine;

3-(3,4,5-Trichloro-thienyloxy)-1-methyl-azetidine;

(±)-4-(3,4-Dichloro-phenoxy)-1-methyl-azepane;

or a pharmaceutically acceptable salt thereof.

11. (Previously Presented) A pharmaceutical composition, comprising a therapeutically effective amount of a compound of claim 1, or any of its isomers or any mixture of its isomers, or

a pharmaceutically acceptable salt thereof, together with at least one pharmaceutically acceptable carrier, excipient or diluent.

12. (Cancelled).

13. (Previously Presented) A method for treatment, prevention or alleviation of a disease or a disorder or a condition of a living animal body, including a human, which disorder, disease or condition is responsive to inhibition of monoamine neurotransmitter re-uptake in the central nervous system, which method comprises the step of administering to such a living animal body in need thereof a therapeutically effective amount of a compound according to claim 1, or any of its isomers or any mixture of its isomers, or a pharmaceutically acceptable salt thereof.

14. (Previously Presented) The method according to claim 13, wherein the disease, disorder or condition ismood disorder, depression, atypical depression, major depressive disorder, dysthymic disorder, bipolar disorder, bipolar I disorder, bipolar II disorder, cyclothymic disorder, mood disorder due to a general medical condition, substance-induced mood disorder, pseudodementia, Ganser's syndrome, obsessive compulsive disorder, panic disorder, panic disorder without agoraphobia, panic disorder with agoraphobia, agoraphobia without history of panic disorder, panic attack, memory deficits, memory loss, attention deficit hyperactivity disorder, obesity, anxiety, generalized anxiety disorder, eating disorder, Parkinson's disease, parkinsonism, dementia, dementia of ageing, senile dementia, Alzheimer's disease, acquired immunodeficiency syndrome dementia complex, memory dysfunction in ageing, specific phobia, social phobia, post-traumatic stress disorder, acute stress disorder, drug addiction, drug misuse, cocaine abuse, nicotine abuse, tobacco abuse, alcohol addiction, alcoholism, pain, chronic pain, inflammatory pain, neuropathic pain, migraine pain, tension-type headache, chronic tension-type headache, pain associated with depression, fibromyalgia, arthritis, osteoarthritis, rheumatoid arthritis, back pain, cancer pain, irritable bowel pain, irritable bowel syndrome, post-operative pain, post-stroke pain, drug-induced neuropathy, diabetic neuropathy, sympathetically-maintained pain, trigeminal neuralgia, dental pain, myofacial pain, phantom-limb pain, bulimia,

premenstrual syndrome, late luteal phase syndrome, post-traumatic syndrome, chronic fatigue syndrome, urinary incontinence, stress incontinence, urge incontinence, nocturnal incontinence, sexual dysfunction, premature ejaculation, erectile difficulty, erectile dysfunction, eating disorders, anorexia nervosa, sleep disorders, autism, mutism, trichotillomania, narcolepsy, post-stroke depression, stroke-induced brain damage, stroke-induced neuronal damage or Gilles de la Tourettes disease.

15. (Cancelled).

16. (new) The chemical compound of claim 10, which is
4-(2,3-dichloro-phenoxy)-piperidine.